
**State Government & Tribal Affairs
Committee**

HB 1174

Brief Description: Regarding independent assessments of agency quality management programs.

Sponsors: Representatives Miloscia, Chase, Armstrong, Ormsby, Goodman, Hasegawa and Williams.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Requires a state agency to provide the governor's office with an electronic copy of its independent assessment applications and any comments received from the assessor.

Hearing Date: 2/3/09

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Background:

In 2005 the Legislature enacted a quality management program that requires state agencies to develop and implement a quality management, accountability, and performance system. Agency performance reports must be submitted quarterly to the Governor, and the Governor must report annually to the citizens of the state. The legislation also requires that each agency apply, at least once every three years, to the Washington State Quality Award, or similar organization, for an independent assessment of its quality management, accountability, and performance system.

Summary of Bill:

Each agency must provide the Governor's office with an electronic copy of its independent assessment application as well as any feedback provided by the independent assessor.

Appropriation: None.

This analysis was prepared by non-partisan legislative staff for the use of legislative members in their deliberations. This analysis is not a part of the legislation nor does it constitute a statement of legislative intent.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.